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In re application of:

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Serial No.: 09/768,950

Filed: January 24, 2001

For: MICROMACHINED DEVICE FOR RECEIVING AND  
RETAINING AT LEAST ONE LIQUID DROPLET, METHOD  
OF MAKING THE DEVICE AND METHOD OF USING THE  
DEVICE

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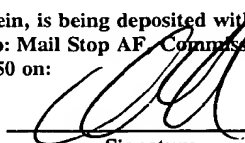
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